

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES
PERMITS SECTION
235 PROMENADE STREET
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02908-5767

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT ACTIONS UNDER THE RHODE ISLAND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (RIPDES) PROGRAM WHICH REGULATES DISCHARGES INTO THE WATERS OF THE STATE UNDER CHAPTER 46-12 OF THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS OF 1956, AS AMENDED.

DATE OF NOTICE: March 25, 2015

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER: PN-15-02

DRAFT RIPDES PERMITS

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: **RI0023868**

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Rhodes Technologies
498 Washington Street
Coventry, RI 02816

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Rhodes Technologies
498, 500, and 500B Washington Street
Coventry, RI 02816

RECEIVING WATER: **South Branch of the Pawtuxet River**

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: **B1**

The above named applicant has applied to the DEM for reissuance of a RIPDES Permit to discharge into the designated receiving water. Rhodes Technologies manufactures active pharmaceutical ingredients for use in finished dosage of pharmaceutical formulations. The permitted discharge consists of stormwater and certain non-stormwater discharges. The permit requires Rhodes Technologies to develop and implement an effective SWPPP that will prevent the contamination of stormwater from industrial activity. This permit contains limitations and conditions to ensure that the discharge of stormwater is protective of water quality.

RIPDES PERMIT NUMBER: **RI0110094**

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

American Mussel Harvesters, Inc.

165 Tidal Drive
North Kingstown, RI 02852

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

American Mussel Harvesters, Inc.

165 Tidal Drive
North Kingstown, RI 02852

RECEIVING WATER: Narragansett Bay – West Passage

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: SA

The above named applicant has applied to the DEM for reissuance of a RIPDES Permit to discharge into the designated receiving water. The facility, which is the source of the discharge, is engaged in the wet storage of shellfish prior to shipment to market. The wet storage system withdraws Narragansett Bay water, disinfects it using UV light, and circulates it over the shellfish prior to discharge back into the receiving water. This permit contains limitations and conditions to ensure that the discharge is protective of water quality.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Pursuant to Chapter 42-17.4 of the Rhode Island General Laws a public hearing has been scheduled to consider these permits if requested. Requests for a Public Hearing must be submitted in writing to the attention of Brian Lafaille, PE, Senior Sanitary Engineer at the address indicated above. Notice should be taken that if DEM receives a request from twenty-five (25) people, a governmental agency or subdivision, or an association having no less than twenty-five (25) members on or before 4:00 pm, April 23, 2015, a public hearing will be held at the following time and place:

April 28, 2015 at 5pm
Room 280
235 Promenade Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

Interested persons should contact DEM to confirm if a hearing will be held at the time and location noted above.

235 Promenade Street is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting communication assistance (assistive listening devices/readers/interpreters/captions) must notify the D.E.M. at the telephone number listed above or at 831-5508 (T.D.D.) 72 hours in advance of the hearing date.

Interested parties may submit comments on the permit actions and the administrative record to the address above no later than 4:00 pm on April 29, 2015.

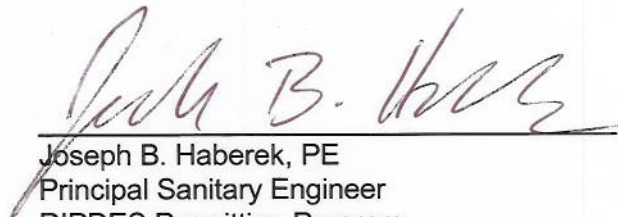
If, during the public comment period, significant new questions are raised concerning the permit, DEM may require a new draft permit or statement of basis or may reopen the public comment period. A public notice will be issued for any of these actions.

Any person, including the permittee/applicant, who believes these permit actions are inappropriate, must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period under Rule 41. The public comment period is from March 25, 2015 to April 29, 2015. Commenters may request a longer comment period if necessary to provide a reasonable opportunity to comply with these requirements. Comments should be directed to DEM as noted above.

FINAL DECISION AND APPEALS:

Following the close of the comment period, and after a public hearing, if such hearing is held, the Director will issue a final decision and forward a copy of the final decision to the permittee and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. Within 30 days following the notice of the final decision, any interested person may submit a request for a formal hearing in accordance with the requirements of Rule 49.

3/19/15
Date



Joseph B. Haberek, PE
Principal Sanitary Engineer
RIPDES Permitting Program
Office of Water Resources
Department of Environmental Management

